



WEED DISTRICT REVIEW 2015 FALL-WINTER EDITION

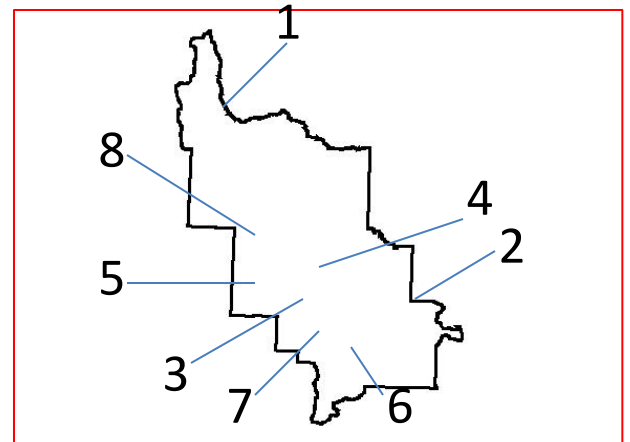


“A summary of Lewis and Clark County Weed District, awareness and activities for County resident review.”

MEET BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

- 1) AUGUSTA – Mike Cobb
 - 2) EAST – Chuck Butler
 - 3) CANYON CREEK – Steve Johns
 - 4) VALLEY – Joel Redding
 - 5) LINCOLN – Bob Bushnell
 - 6) HELENA/SOUTH – Orville Johnson
 - 7) WEST VALLEY – Tom Thompson
 - 8) WOLF CREEK – Rob McDonough
- COUNTY COMMISSIONER – Susan Good Geise
WEED COORDINATOR – Larry Hoffman

Board members administer the county's noxious weed management program and operations.



2015 PROGRAM REVIEW

DISTRICT PROJECTS – Managing noxious weeds

- Landfills – Augusta/Lincoln/Marysville - Cheatgrass
- Open Pits – Augusta/Lincoln/Helena
- County Compounds – Helena/Augusta/Wolf Creek/Lincoln
- Rural Improvement Districts–47
- County Right of Ways – 700 plus miles annually
- Blackfoot Challenge Group – Three Counties coordinated program
- Weed Free Programs – Open mine, Subdivision, timber harvests
- Weed Trust Fund Grants (4)

NOXIOUS WEED MANAGEMENT PROJECTS

- Rural Airports – Augusta/Lincoln
- County Parks
- Bureau of Land Management – Trail heads and roads
- Forest Service – Roads and Trail Management
- Producer Programs – Augusta/Wolf Creek
- Dearborn Community – Landowner program
- Biological – 450 plus County sites
- Augusta Insectary – Support youth efforts
- Local Fire Stations – York, West/East Valley, Augusta, Birdseye
- Landowner – ROW Management
- Sensitive Awareness Program
- Montana Weed Control Association
- Broadwater Weed District – Education Trailer

MANAGEMENT OF NOXIOUS WEEDS

Yearly the county staff inspect noxious weed complaints and management plans for "compliance" to meet law requirements.

Inspection & Action

Complaints	416	Compliance	County Attorney
CITY	144 or 35%	137 or 96%	34
COUNTY	272 or 66%	205 or 76%	7 or 21%

***Percentage of Total**

DISTRICT RENTALS - 78 DAYS OF USE

ROAD DISTRICT COVERAGE-1501 Miles of Road Right of Way

- EDUCATION ACTIVITIES by District Staff
 - Stampede/Fair Exhibit - 100 plus participants
 - Great Falls Fair -200 plus participants
 - One on One -600 plus office and phone visits
 - Community Groups -45 participants
 - Jim Darcy Ag Day – 100 + students



CONTAINER RECYCLE PROGRAM

RECYCLING LOCATIONS;



Augusta Landfill
Lincoln Landfill
Murdochs
District Shop

Program through the Montana Department of Agriculture. County collects and have #2 HDPE containers processed by the state.

1085 Pounds Recycled through County Program

2015 PARTNERS to manage noxious weeds in Lewis and Clark County

Landowners/Producers
Lewis and Clark Conservation District
Rocky Mt Front Group

City of Helena
County Departments – Public Works,
Roads, Parks, RIDs, Landfills

State Departments – Montana Department of Agriculture, Montana Department of Transportation, Montana Department of Natural Resources, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks and Lewis and Clark County Airports

Federal Agencies – Helena/Lewis and Clark Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service, APHIS and NRCS, Fish Wildlife and Parks.

Contact your Weed District for more information – 406-447-8372

or

<http://www.lccountymt.gov/weed-district.html>

